and by promoting modernization, Citizen's Charters, e-governances and documentation and dissemination of best practices. The various initiatives in these areas taken by the Department aim at improving the accessibility as well as effectiveness and quality of the services, provided by the Government.

CBI raids on Government officials

274. SHRI ABANI ROY : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether CBI has conducted nation wide raids on Government officials and recovered cash investments and properties worth crores of rupees as reported in all the newspapers dated 12th June, 2002;

(b) if so, the details of persons on whom raids were conducted and the unearthed disproportionate assets etc; and

(c) the further action Government propose to take against the involved Government officials who have earned disproportionate assets to their known sources of income ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE) : (a) and (b) Yes Sir, the Central Bureau of Investigation had conducted a nation wide raids on 11-6-2002 on Government officials and others through a Special drive. As a result of the Special drive 24 cases were registered by the Central Bureau of Investigation against Government officials working in different organizations. The Central Bureau of Investigation also unearthed disproportionate assets from these officials ranging from few lakhs of Rupees to Rs. 1.5 crores.

(c) Further action against the Government officials involved in these cases has been initiated as per rules.